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ANOTHER RAID BY MEXICAN BANDITS

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Two American Citizens Were Taken Across the Border, Where Their Throats Were Cut—A Posse of Fifty Citizens is in Pursuit of the Fleeing Bandits—Major Funston Has Ordered Four Troops of Cavalry to Proceed to the Raided Section to Reinforce Small Detachments Already There.

Alpine, Tex., May 7.—Villagers, some 70 in number, forded the Rio Grande Friday night and, sweeping 15 miles inland on American soil, raided the little settlement of Glenn Springs and attacked a detachment of American cavalry consisting of nine men of Troop A, the Fourteenth cavalry. Three troopers and a little 10 year old boy were killed, two cavalrymen were wounded and another is missing. He is believed to be a prisoner of the bandits, who are now fleeing southward into Coahuila, Mex.

Two American citizens, J. Deemer and a man named Campbell, according to reports received here, were carried across the Rio Grande, and reports have it that their throats were cut. A posse of 50 citizens of Marathon to-night are in pursuit of the Villistas.

KIDNAPPED TWO CITIZENS AND CARRIED THEM OVER BORDER.

Raided Three Settlements Friday Night and Saturday Morning.

El Paso, Tex., May 7.—Three American soldiers and two American citizens have been kidnapped and carried south of the international boundary to about 20 miles from another raid of bandits that takes rank with Francisco Villa's attack of Columbus, N. M.

The bandits' foray, carrying them through the southern limits of Brewster county, in the Big Bend district of Texas, and taking in three little settlements near the border—Glenn Springs, Bouquillas and Deemer—took place on Friday night and Saturday morning, but news of it did not reach here until today.

Troops Ordered to Section.

Within an hour preparations had been begun for adequate action. Major General Frederick Funston ordered that in all four troops of cavalry should proceed to the raided section to reinforce small detachments already on their way to the section from Presidio, Alpine, and other points.

Will Pursue Bandits.

These troops got under way tonight. It is said here that if the exigencies of the case demand such action they will cross the border in order to run down and capture the bandits. The force consists of two troops of the Eighth cavalry from Fort Bliss, El Paso, under Major George T. Langhorne, and two troops of the Fourteenth cavalry from Fort Clark, under Colonel Frederick W. Sibbey, commander of the Fourth division.

The two detachments are expected to detain tomorrow morning, Major Langhorne at Alpine and Colonel Sibbey at Marathon. From these points they will march south 90 miles to the border.

Abduct Halted in Conference.

While military events were developing with such rapidity the conference over the co-operation of American and Mexican soldiers in Mexico, which had been expected to reach a culmination today, came to an abrupt halt.

General Scott and General Funston met General Obregon and Juan Amador, Mexican sub-secretary of foreign affairs, in the immigration station at the American end of the international bridge shortly after 11 o'clock this morning for what had been expected to be their final conference. It developed later, however, that practically the only matter discussed was the bandit raid at Glenn Springs.

What was said at the meeting was not divulged immediately afterward. General Obregon and General Funston hurried to Juarez, where they entered General Obregon's private car, and began a conference which lasted three hours.

General Gavira, commander of the Juarez garrison, General Santos and Andres Garcia, Mexican consul in El Paso, took part in this discussion.

Tonight General Obregon was in telegraphic communication with General Venustiano Carranza and it was understood he was acquainting the first chief with the new developments and suggesting action that would have to be taken.

MEXICAN RAID CAUSES SURPRISE IN WASHINGTON

Was in Territory Over Which Carranza Claims Complete Control.

Washington, May 7.—Renewed raiding of American territory by Mexican outlaws at Glenn Springs and Bouquillas, Texas, under circumstances paralleling the Columbus massacre, impressed officials here tonight with the urgent necessity for prompt conclusion of the agreement with the Carranza government to give the United States greater liberty in crushing bandit raids along the border.

The report of the new violations of United States soil and the killing of five Americans from a quarter most unexpected and in which General Carranza had declared he had complete control against outlaws, occasioned great surprise. Important changes in border patrol forces, with possibly another punitive expedition into Mexico in the Big Bend region of Texas, where the Glenn Springs and Bouquillas raids occurred, with Presidio as a base, were predicted.

Conference between Generals Scott and Obregon regarding the Texas

Cabled Paragraphs

Major John McBride Executed.

Dublin, May 6, via London, May 6, 8:55 a. m.—It was announced today that Major John McBride, the eighth leader of the Sinn Fein rebellion to suffer death by sentence of court martial, had been shot.

British Submarine Sunk.

Berlin, May 7.—(By Wireless to Sayville.) The British submarine E-3 was sunk by the gunfire of a German warship west of Horn Reef, off the west coast of Denmark, on the morning of May 5. It was announced by the German admiralty today.

Prince of Wales Guest of King Victor Emmanuel.

Rome, May 7.—The Prince of Wales is now in the Italian war zone as the guest of King Victor Emmanuel, with whom he is visiting various points on the front according to a Havas despatch from Rome.

GERARD REPLIES TO THOSE WHO HAVE MALIGNED HIM

Declares Accusation That He is an Enemy of Germany is Wrong.

Berlin, Saturday, May 6, 8:30 p. m., via London, May 7, 2:30 p. m.—In an interview in the National Zeitung, James W. Gerard, the American ambassador, is quoted as saying: "In this crisis, as in all previous crises I attached the greatest value to removing misunderstandings between Germany and America and did everything in my power that a conflict between the two countries might be avoided. I want no war between Germany and America and never wanted and shall never want one. 'I assure you that the accusation that I am an enemy of Germany is to all intents and purposes a lie. I have nothing to justify the charge that I hate German characteristics or German men. Against those who have maligned me, I have nothing to say. I am a leading paragon of the German government, who, he declares, 'quoted newspaper interview states, know that he has done and is doing everything possible to preserve peace between Germany and the United States.

SOLDIER OF FORTUNE FOUND BADLY WOUNDED.

Capt. Fritz Joubert Duquesne in the Wilds of Bolivia.

Montevideo, Uruguay, May 7.—Capt. Fritz Joubert Duquesne of New York, explorer and soldier of fortune, who was in command of an expedition into Bolivian wilds, has been found by a party of Bolivians in a badly wounded state after a battle in which his expedition was attacked and defeated. A band of Indians on the Bolivian frontier.

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Germans Launch New Offensive

WITH ITS OBJECT THE CAPTURE OF VERDUN.

ENTER ALLIED TRENCHES

Attacks of Trenches in Sectors Between Hill 304 and Le Mort Homme Were Repulsed With Serious Losses.

What seemingly is a great offensive with its objective the capture of Verdun, has been launched by the Germans northeast and northwest of the fortress. In both sectors gains for the Germans are chronicled in the latest French official communication.

In the former sector, between the French first line trenches over nearly a third of a mile and Douaumont, a third of a mile entered by the Germans, while northwest of Verdun, east of Hill 304 they penetrated underground.

French Repulse Attacks.

Except near Hill 304, however, the entire attacks, which were thrown against the sector between Hill 304 and Le Mort Homme, were repulsed with serious losses to the Germans. A similar fate befell the attacking forces in the northeast, except in the region of the Handout Wood, but attacks were delivered after heavy preparatory bombardments.

Artillery Active.

Aside from these attacks only bombardments have been in progress on the line in France and Belgium. Artillery action has been extremely heavy in the Woivre and at the foot of the euse hills in the region east of Verdun.

Russian Bombardment Ineffective.

Russian torpedo boats have ineffectually shelled German positions on the northern coast of Courland, according to a report from the Baltic Sea.

Stripa river, the Russians have made a further advance against the Teutons, while in the Caucasus region Turkish troops have been repulsed.

Turks Are in Retreat.

The Turks, who had been contesting the advance of the Russians toward Bagdad in the Semerkand region, have been repulsed and are retreating.

Small infantry encounters at various points along the Russo-Turkish front in which what advantage there was rested with the Italians, have varied the usual fighting with the big guns.

PRESIDENT WILSON AND SECRETARY LANSING CONFERENCE

Over Situation Resulting from the Recent German Note.

Washington, May 7.—President Wilson and Secretary Lansing conferred late tonight at the White House on the situation confronting the United States along the Russo-Turkish front, a German note regarding the conduct of submarine warfare. While Mr. Lansing said later that no final decision had been reached, it is understood that the course to be pursued probably will be known tomorrow or Tuesday.

There were strong intimations in official quarters tonight that the administration might send to Germany a note demanding the new German instructions to submarine commanders quoted in the German note and formalizing the imperial government that long ago these instructions were effective diplomatic relations between the two nations could continue. Should such a course be taken, it is understood that the United States will permit its relations with Great Britain to enter into the controversy.

OFFICIAL WAR STATEMENT ISSUED AT PARIS OFFICE

Twenty Captive Balloons Broke Away During a Wind Storm.

Paris, May 7, 2:30 p. m.—The following official statement was issued at the war office this afternoon: "South of the Somme the Germans, after an intense artillery preparation made an attack last evening on our trenches south of Lihons. They were repulsed by our fire and their forces dispersed before they reached our entrenchments.

In the region of Verdun, the night was marked by a continuous and violent bombardment in the region of Hill 304 and of the Handoutmont sector. The national convention at Chicago was held here yesterday. The party, because of failure to poll three per cent. of the total vote for governor, was barred from the recent state primaries. Massachusetts is entitled to 18 votes in the national convention.

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Movements of Steamships.

Liverpool, May 5.—Sailed, steamer Philadelphia, New York.

Steamer Chased By Two Raiders

THE VENIZIA, FROM BORDEAUX, WAS FIRED UPON.

40 AMERICANS ABOARD

Hostile Craft Loomed Up—Without Any Flags Showing—The Venezia Escaped by Superior Speed.

New York, May 7.—The steamship Venezia, arriving here today from Bordeaux, France, with forty American citizens aboard, was fired upon by two commerce raiders while off the Azores, according to a story related when the vessel docked. Reports had been in circulation in the western Atlantic and the news brought by the Venezia caused alarm in shipping circles.

Accuracy of Story Vouched For.

Captain Boniface and members of the crew of the Venezia were reticent when questioned concerning an attack upon the vessel that the Americans on board, who were employed in carlini lorries transported on the Venezia's last voyage eastward vouched for the accuracy of the story.

Raiders Made Sudden Dash.

According to these men, the Venezia encountered the commerce raiders April 28, when three days out from Bordeaux. The hostile craft, they said, loomed up without any flags showing and bore down on the Venezia. Captain Boniface at once became suspicious and prepared for a sudden dash. The raiders signalled the Venezia to slow down, but Captain Boniface's answer was an order for full speed ahead.

Shot Passed Over Bow.

As the Venezia started to bear away, according to the story told, a shot passed over her. This was followed by another, which dropped close to the Venezia. Before a third shot was fired, the Venezia had increased the distance between her and the raiders so that the effort to overhaul her proved unsuccessful.

The destroyers, it was said, pursued the Venezia, but the French steamship left them far behind, not sighted her, and escaped from them on the remainder of the voyage.

Raiders Were Converted Merchantmen.

It was said the raiders probably were merchantmen which had been converted into auxiliary cruisers. One of the two vessels and the other one funnel.

The Venezia was aided in meeting her escape, according to the story, by the fact that she was in ballast, and therefore able to crowd on steam.

CAUSED PANIC IN BANK BY FLOURISHING A REVOLVER

Stabbed Policeman Who Was Removing Handcuffs at the Station.

Columbus, O., May 7.—After causing a panic in the Ohio National bank by flourishing a revolver and pointing it at Policeman Charles W. Smith over the head of Emil Kiewietz, a 58-year-old man, George Alrey, aged 58, yesterday stabbed the policeman when taken to police headquarters and later was shot and escaped when he attempted to escape.

Alrey went to the bank and demanded a \$500 certificate of deposit which he carried in his pocket. He was arrested by Officer Smith, who was removing handcuffs at the station.

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Condensed Telegrams

Arbor day was observed by New York city school children.

British cotton mills will take a ballot on the proposition to strike.

A report from El Paso says that General Pershing has located Villa.

The Vitagraph Co. of America will be reorganized with \$25,000,000 stock.

The allies are reported to have suspended the buying of cash wheat at Chicago.

Canada's trade for the fiscal year ended March 31 last amounted to \$1,309,511,866.

Exports of copper from Atlantic ports for the week ended May 4 amounted to 897 tons.

British colonial troops held prisoners by the Teutonic powers number 37,947 officers and men.

Headquarters of the republican national committee will be opened May 15 at the Coliseum, Chicago.

When seen in New York, German Ambassador von Bernstorff refused to comment on the German note.

Kansas' wheat crop is estimated at 116,000,000 for this season by the Kansas Grain Dealers' association.

Great Britain has decided to release the 38 Germans and Austrians taken from the American steamer China.

Celebration of "Baby Week" began Saturday in New York with services in the synagogues throughout the city.

Irish rebels who took part in the recent uprising will be granted immunity if they enlist in the British army.

One man was killed and three seriously injured by an explosion in the Harrison, N. J., plant of the Crucible Steel Co.

Food prices in Switzerland have been advanced 70 per cent. since the beginning of the war by conditions due to the war.

April production and sales of zinc in the Joplin, Mo., district broke all records for any one month in the history of the district.

The wrecked Zeppelin L-20 at Hazea, Norway, has been blown up by an explosion of her gas bag under fire of Norwegian rifles.

A contribution of two \$1,000 bills from a person in Jersey City was received by the conscience fund of the treasury department.

Nearly 200 men have been enrolled in the first four days of the 30 day campaign to enlist 3,000 men in the New York National guard.

Additions including rubber tires, tubes for motor cars and motorcycles have been added to the import embargo list by England.

Representatives of the anthracite miners and operators signed in Philadelphia the wage agreement reached in New York a week ago.

President Wilson will make every possible effort to force confirmation of the nomination of Louis D. Brandeis to be a supreme court justice.

Two masked men entered the Citizens' State bank at Camel, Ind., held up the assistant cashier, blew the safe and escaped with \$900 in cash.

Saying that three of his crew were in mutiny, Captain Gunderson of the Uruguayan bark Mashona asked